

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 112

By Hicks

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Madison Emaline Davis upon her receipt of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body should specially recognize those estimable citizens who have dedicated their time and energies to helping others; and

WHEREAS, each year, 1.1 million Tennessee volunteers give over 143.9 million hours of community service, contributing \$3.4 billion to Tennessee's economy; and

WHEREAS, they are the backbone of our communities, and by giving their time and talents to fulfill needs that would otherwise go unmet, they embody the spirit of giving; and

WHEREAS, these individuals should be recognized, not only to appreciate their efforts, but also in the hope that it will encourage others to step up and make a difference; and

WHEREAS, Madison Emaline Davis of Rogersville is one such exemplary person, who is a recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award in recognition of her laudable commitment to her community; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of Brian and Kelley Davis, Madison Davis is a senior at Cherokee High School, where she has sought out difficult honors classes and participated in the dual enrollment program through Walter State Community College; she is an active member of the Beta Club and has completed 469 hours of community service; and

WHEREAS, exemplifying the Navy's core values of honor, courage, and commitment, Ms. Davis is an active member of Cherokee High School Naval Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps and holds the rank of Cadet Lieutenant; she was selected from a pool of highly qualified cadets to be the Battalion Public Affairs Officer, in which position she is responsible for all public

relations concerning the achievement of her unit, which is recognized weekly in local and regional papers for its outstanding achievements; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, Madison Davis led an effort to raise \$10,600 to purchase 7,078 wreaths to be laid on graves in the Mountain Home VA Cemetery; and

WHEREAS, the sister of Noah and Eli Davis, Ms. Davis plans to major in psychology and minor in English when she enrolls at East Tennessee State University in the fall; upon graduation, she hopes to enroll in medical school and specialize in psychiatry; and

WHEREAS, Madison Davis exhibits her devout religious faith as a member of Hope Community Church in Bulls Gap; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Davis is a model citizen, and her commitment to helping others through volunteerism is representative of the Volunteer State, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor Madison Emaline Davis for her outstanding community leadership, congratulate her as an esteemed recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.